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SUBJECT: Agreement Between Thailand and Burma on Maritime Boundaries in the Andaman Sea

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Enclosed is a copy of the text of the agreement between Thailand and Burma on the delimitation of the maritime boundary between the two countries in the Andaman Sea. Representatives of the two countries signed the agreement on July 25, 1980, but the ratification exchange has not taken place. Burma's Pyithu Hluttaw gave parliamentary concurrence during the October 1980 session, and Thailand's Parliament is expected to concur in the near future.

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF BURMA
AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND
ON THE DELIMITATION OF THE MARITIME BOUNDARY
BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN THE ANDAMAN SEA

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AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST
REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF BURMA AND THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE KINGDOM OF THAILAND ON THE DELIMITATION OF
THE MARITIME BOUNDARY BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES
IN THE ANDAMAN SEA

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF THE
UNION OF BURMA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF
THAILAND,

DESIRING to strengthen the existing historical
bonds of friendship between the two countries, and

DESIRING to establish the maritime boundary
between the two countries in the Andaman Sea, and to
settle permanently the limits of the areas within
which the respective Governments shall exercise
sovereignty and sovereign rights,

HAVE AGREED as follows :

ARTICLE 1

1. The maritime boundary between Burma and
Thailand in the Andaman Sea is an equidistance line
formed by a series of straight lines connecting the
nine points specified hereunder in the sequence so
specified :

Point No.	Latitude	Longitude
1.	9° 32' 15"	97° 56' 20"
2.	9° 34' 29"	97° 52' 10"
3.	9° 34' 54"	97° 51' 12"
4.	9° 35' 39"	97° 45' 29"
5.	9° 36' 02"	97° 43' 29"
6.	9° 37' 24"	97° 37' 36"
7.	9° 40' 35"	97° 26' 36"
8.	9° 45' 30"	96° 29' 35"
9.	9° 38' 00"	95° 35' 25"

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2. That segment of the maritime boundary specified in paragraph 1 of this article extending from Point No.1 through Points Nos.2, 3 and 4 to Point No.5 shall constitute the boundary between the territorial sea of Burma and the territorial sea of Thailand.

3. That segment of the maritime boundary specified in paragraph 1 of this article extending from Point No.5 through Points Nos.6, 7 and 8 to Point No.9 shall constitute the boundary between the continental shelf of Burma and the continental shelf of Thailand and, in the event that Thailand establishes her exclusive economic zone, this same line shall also constitute the boundary between the exclusive economic zone of Burma and the exclusive economic zone of Thailand.

4. The extension of the boundary in the direction of and up to the maritime boundary trijunction point between Burma, Thailand and India will be the subject of a subsequent agreement.

ARTICLE 2

1. The geographical co-ordinates of Points Nos.1 to 6 specified in Article 1 are derived from the 1948 edition of British Admiralty Chart No.3052, re-published in 1975, and those of Points Nos.7 to 9 from the 1975 edition of British Admiralty Chart No.830 published on 3rd January 1975. The lines connecting the said points are indicated on British Admiralty Chart No.830, published on 3rd January 1975, attached as an Annex to this Agreement.

2. The actual location of these points at sea and of the lines connecting them shall be determined by a method to be mutually agreed upon by the hydrographic experts authorized for this purpose by the two Governments.

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ARTICLE 3

Any dispute between the two Governments relating to the interpretation or implementation of this Agreement shall be settled peacefully by consultation or negotiation.

ARTICLE 4

This Agreement shall be ratified in accordance with the constitutional requirements of each country. It shall enter into force on the date of the exchange of the Instruments of Ratification which will take place at Bangkok as soon as possible.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the undersigned, being duly authorized thereto by their respective Governments, have signed this Agreement.

DONE IN DUPLICATE at Rangoon, on the twenty-fifth day of July, One thousand Nine hundred and Eighty, in the English language.

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF THE
UNION OF BURMA

FOR THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
KINGDOM OF THAILAND

Sd/-

(U Lay Maung)
Minister for Foreign Affairs

Sd/-

(Air Chief Marshal Siddhi Savetsila)
Minister for Foreign Affairs

MARITIME BOUNDARY BETWEEN BURMA AND THAILAND

TECHNICAL SEA BOUNDARY

From Points 1, 2, 3, 4 To 5=13.6 Nautical Miles
From Point 1 To 5 Direct=13.5 Nautical Miles

CONTINENTAL SHELF BOUNDARY

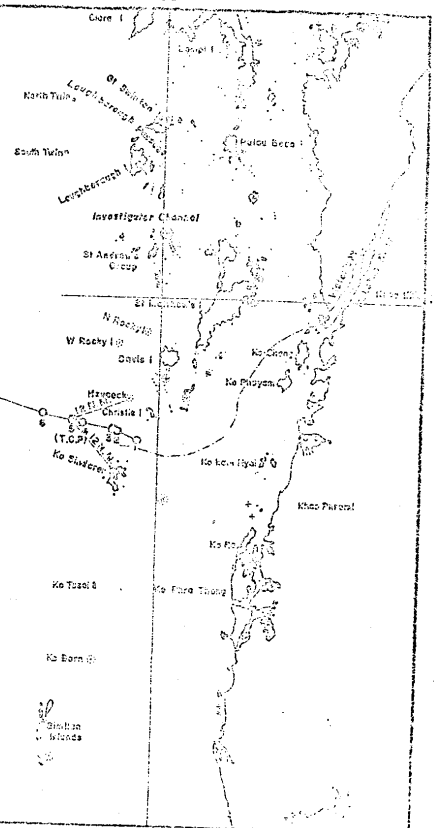
From Points 5, 6, 7, 8 To 9=130.2 Nautical Miles
From Point 5 To 9 Direct=127.6 Nautical Miles
TOTAL Through Points 1 To 5 = 13.6
Through Points 5 To 9 = 130.2
143.8
Direct From 1 To 5 = 13.5
Direct From 5 To 9 = 127.6
141.1

BURMESE HORIZONTAL CONTROL POINTS

- (5) South Twin Island
- (4) Western Rocky Island
- (3) Haycock Island
- (2) Christie Island
- (1) Murray Island

THAI HORIZONTAL CONTROL POINTS

- (1) Sterk Island
- (2) 46 Ft. Island
- (3) Ko Sindanon Island
- (4) Pachumba Island
(or)
Chance Island



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